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In re Patent Application of: Ronald A. Weimer et al.

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For: USE OF ATOMIC OXYGEN PROCESS FOR

IMPROVED BARRIER LAYER

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. §1.116)

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 7, 2004 (Paper No. 20040529), finally rejecting claims 1-14, 17-33, 35-48 and 51-56, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.